Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application. Please amend the claims as follows:

Listing of Claims:

1. – 32. (Canceled)

33. (Currently Amended) A computer-implemented method for updating presence information for a user on a network, wherein the user accesses the network via a first client device and a second client device, the method comprising:

prioritizing a plurality of client status identifiers, wherein the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers [[are]] is ordered from a lowest priority level to a highest priority level;

receiving a first client status identifier from the first client device, wherein the first client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers; [[and]]

receiving a second client status identifier from the second client device, wherein the second client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating a first client view with the first client status identifier and a second client view with the second client status identifier;

~~determining a first relative priority level for the first client status identifier based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers;~~

~~determining a second relative priority level for the second client status identifier based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers;~~

~~prioritizing the first client status identifier and the second client status identifier based on the first relative priority level and the second relative priority level to determine a higher client status identifier;~~

determining accurate presence information for the user, wherein determining the accurate presence information for the user comprises:

determining that the first client status identifier indicates the accurate presence information for the user when the first client status identifier has a higher priority level

than the second client status identifier based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers;

determining that the second client status identifier indicates the accurate presence information for the user when the second client status identifier has a higher priority level than the first client status identifier based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers; and

determining that both the first client status identifier and the second client status identifier indicate the accurate presence information for the user when the first client status identifier and the second client status identifier have a same priority level based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers;

populating a [[first]] master view with the accurate presence information for the user ~~the higher client status identifier, wherein the higher client status identifier is a first master status identifier, and wherein the first master view indicates accurate presence information for the user~~; and

updating the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information.

34. (Currently Amended) The computer-implemented method of claim 33, the method further comprising:

receiving an updated client status identifier from the first client device, wherein the updated client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the first client view with the updated client status identifier;

determining the accurate presence information for the user comprising determining that the updated client status identifier has a higher priority level than the second client status identifier ~~an updated relative priority level for the updated client status identifier~~ based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers;

~~determining a first master relative priority level for the first master status identifier based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers;~~

~~prioritizing the updated client status identifier and the first master status identifier based on the updated relative priority level and the first master relative priority level;~~

populating ~~a second~~ the master view with the updated client status identifier, wherein the ~~updated client status identifier when the updated client status identifier has a higher relative priority level than the first master status identifier, wherein the second~~ master view indicates the accurate presence information for the user; and

updating the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information.

35. (Currently Amended) The computer-implemented method of claim 33, the method further comprising:

receiving an updated client status identifier from the first client device, wherein the updated client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the first client view with the updated client status identifier;

determining the accurate presence information for the user comprising determining that the second client status identifier has a higher priority level than the updated client status identifier ~~an updated relative priority level for the updated client status identifier~~ based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers;

~~determining a first master relative priority level for the first master status identifier based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers;~~

~~prioritizing the updated client status identifier and the first master status identifier based on the updated relative priority level and the first master relative priority level; and~~

populating ~~maintaining the first master status identifier in~~ the [[first]] master view with the second client status identifier ~~when the first master status identifier has a higher relative priority level than the updated client status identifier~~, wherein the [[first]] master view indicates the accurate presence information for the user; and

updating the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information.

36. (Previously Presented) The computer-implemented method as defined in claim 33, wherein the plurality of client status identifiers includes one or more of: online, offline, away, invisible, busy, back soon, on phone, and at lunch.

37. (Previously Presented) The computer-implemented method as defined in claim 33, wherein the first client view represents presence information of the first client device and the second client view represents presence information of the second client device as detected at an associated client.

38. (Previously Presented) The computer-implemented method as defined in claim 33, wherein updating the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information further comprises publishing the accurate presence information to subscribers.

39. (Currently Amended) The computer-implemented method as defined in claim 33, further comprising:

receiving the first client status identifier of "online" from the first client device, wherein the first client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers; [[and]]

receiving the second client status identifier of "online" from the second client device, wherein the second client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the first client view with "online" and the second client view with "online";

determining the accurate presence information for the user comprising determining that the first client status identifier of "online" has a same priority level as the second client status identifier of "online" ~~the first relative priority level for "online" of the first client device is equivalent to the second relative priority level for "online" of the second client device~~ based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers, wherein the first client status identifier and the second client status identifier indicate the accurate presence information for the user;

populating the [[first]] master view with "online";

receiving [[the]] an updated client status identifier of "offline" from the first client device, wherein the updated client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the first client view with "offline";

determining the accurate presence information for the user comprising determining that the second client status identifier of "online" has a higher priority level than the updated client status identifier of "offline" ~~the first master relative priority level for "online" of the first master view is higher than the updated relative priority level for "offline" of the first client view~~ based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers; and

maintaining "online" in the [[first]] master view, wherein the [[first]] master view indicates the accurate presence information for the user.

40. (Currently Amended) The computer-implemented method as defined in claim 33, further comprising:

receiving the first client status identifier of "offline" from the first client device, wherein the first client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers; [[and]]

receiving the second client status identifier of "offline" from the second client device, wherein the second client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the first client view with "offline" and the second client view with "offline";

determining the accurate presence information for the user comprising determining that the first client status identifier of "offline" has a same priority level as the second client status identifier of "offline" ~~the first relative priority level for "offline" of the first client is equivalent to the second relative priority level for "offline" of the second client device~~ based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers, wherein the first client status identifier and the second client status identifier indicate the accurate presence information for the user;

populating the [[first]] master view with "offline";

receiving [[the]] an updated client status identifier of "idle" from the first client device, wherein the updated client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the first client view with "idle";

determining the accurate presence information for the user comprising determining that the updated client status identifier of "idle" has a higher priority level than the second client status identifier of "offline" ~~the updated relative priority level for "idle" of the first client view is higher than the first master relative priority level for "offline" of the first master view~~ based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the ~~second~~ master view with "idle," wherein the ~~second~~ master view indicates the accurate presence information for the user; and

updating the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information.

41. (Currently Amended) A computer-implemented method for updating presence information for a user on a network, wherein the user accesses the network via a first client device and a second client device, the method comprising:

prioritizing a plurality of client status identifiers, wherein the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers [[are]] is ordered from a lowest priority level to a highest priority level;

~~customizing the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers to yield a prioritized plurality of customized client status identifiers, wherein the prioritized plurality of customized client status identifiers are ordered from a lowest customized priority level to a highest customized priority level;~~

receiving a first client status identifier from the first client device, wherein the first client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers; [[and]]

receiving a second client status identifier from the second client device, wherein the second client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating a first client view with the first client status identifier and a second client view with the second client status identifier;

determining accurate presence information for the user comprising determining whether the first client status identifier or the second client status identifier has a higher priority level ~~a first customized priority level for the first client status identifier~~ based on the prioritized plurality of ~~customized~~ client status identifiers, wherein a client status identifier having a higher priority level indicates the accurate presence information for the user;

~~determining a second customized priority level for the second client status identifier based on the prioritized plurality of customized client status identifiers;~~

~~prioritizing the first client status identifier and the second client status identifier based on the first customized priority level and the second customized priority level to determine a higher client status identifier;~~

populating a [[first]] master view with the accurate presence information ~~higher client status identifier, wherein the higher client status identifier is a first master status identifier, and wherein the first master view indicates accurate presence information for the user~~; and

updating the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information.

42. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 41, further comprising:

receiving an updated client status identifier from the first client device, wherein the updated client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the first client view with the updated client status identifier;

determining the accurate presence information for the user comprising determining that the second client status identifier has a higher priority level than the updated client status identifier ~~an updated customized priority level for the updated client status identifier~~ based on the prioritized plurality of ~~customized~~ client status identifiers;

~~determining a first master customized priority level for the first master status identifier based on the prioritized plurality of customized client status identifiers;~~

~~prioritizing the updated client status identifier and the first master status identifier based on the updated customized priority level and the first master customized priority level;~~

populating ~~a second~~ the master view with the accurate presence information, wherein the master view comprises the second client status identifier ~~updated client status identifier when the updated client status identifier has a higher customized priority level than the first master status identifier, wherein the second master view indicates accurate presence information for the user~~; and

updating the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information.

43. (Currently Amended) The computer-implemented method of claim 41, the method further comprising:

receiving an updated client status identifier from the first client device, wherein the updated client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the first client view with the updated client status identifier;

determining the accurate presence information for the user comprising determining that the updated client status identifier has a higher priority level than the second client status identifier ~~an updated customized priority level for the updated client status identifier~~ based on the prioritized plurality of ~~customized~~ client status identifiers;

~~determining a first master customized priority level for the first master status identifier based on the prioritized plurality of customized client status identifiers;~~

~~prioritizing the updated client status identifier and the first master status identifier based on the updated customized priority level and the first master customized priority level;~~ and

populating ~~maintaining the first master status identifier in~~ the [[first]] master view with the accurate presence information, wherein the master view comprises the updated client status identifier ~~when the first master status identifier has a higher customized priority level than the updated client status identifier, wherein the first master view indicates accurate presence information for the user~~; and

updating the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information.

44. (Currently Amended) The computer-implemented method as defined in claim 41, wherein the prioritized plurality of ~~customized~~ client status identifiers include one or more user-defined client status identifiers.

45. (Previously Presented) The computer-implemented method as defined in claim 41, wherein the first client view represents presence information of the first client device and the second client view represents presence information of the second client device as detected at an associated client.

46. (Previously Presented) The computer-implemented method as defined in claim 41, wherein updating the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information further comprises publishing the accurate presence information to subscribers.

47. (Currently Amended) The computer-implemented method as defined in claim 41, further comprising:

receiving the first client status identifier of "online" from the first client device, wherein the first client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers; [[and]]

receiving the second client status identifier of "online" from the second client device, wherein the second client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the first client view with "online" and the second client view with "online";

determining the accurate presence information for the user comprising determining that the first ~~customized priority level for~~ client status identifier of "online" ~~of the first client device~~ has a same ~~is equivalent to the second customized~~ priority level as the second client status identifier of ~~for~~ "online" ~~of the second client device~~ based on the prioritized plurality of ~~customized~~ client status identifiers, wherein the first client status identifier and the second client status identifier indicate accurate presence information for the user;

populating the [[first]] master view with "online";

receiving [[the]] an updated client status identifier of "at lunch" from the first client device, wherein the updated client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the first client view with "at lunch";

determining the accurate presence information for the user comprising determining that the updated ~~customized priority level for~~ client status identifier of "at lunch" ~~of the first client view is~~ has a higher priority level than ~~the first master customized priority level for~~ the second client status identifier of "online" ~~of the first master view~~ based on the prioritized plurality of ~~customized~~ client status identifiers;

populating the ~~second~~ master view with "at lunch," wherein the ~~second~~ master view indicates the accurate presence information for the user; and

updating the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information.

48. (Currently Amended) The computer-implemented method as defined in claim 41, further comprising:

receiving the first client status identifier of "on phone" from the first client device, wherein the first client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers; [[and]]

receiving the second client status identifier of "offline" from the second client device, wherein the second client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the first client view with "on phone" and the second client view with "offline";

determining the accurate presence information for the user comprising determining that the first ~~customized priority level for~~ client status identifier of "on phone" ~~of the first client view is~~ has a higher priority level than the second ~~customized priority level for~~ client status identifier of "offline" ~~of the second client device~~ based on the prioritized plurality of ~~customized~~ client status identifiers;

populating the [[first]] master view with "on phone";

receiving [[the]] an updated client status identifier of "online" from the first client device, wherein the updated client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the first client view with "online";

determining the accurate presence information for the user comprising determining that the updated ~~customized priority level for~~ client status identifier of "online" ~~of the first client view is~~ has a higher priority level than the ~~first master customized priority level for "on phone"~~ second client status identifier of "offline" ~~of the first master view~~ based on the prioritized plurality of ~~customized~~ client status identifiers;

populating the ~~second~~ master view with "online," wherein the ~~second~~ master view indicates the accurate presence information for the user; and

updating the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information.

49. (Currently Amended) A computer system for updating presence information for a user on a network, wherein the user accesses the network via a first client device and a second client device, comprising:

at least one processor; and

at least one memory, communicatively coupled to the at least one processor and containing instructions that, when executed by the at least one processor, perform a method, comprising:

prioritizing a plurality of client status identifiers, wherein the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers [[are]] is ordered from a lowest priority level to a highest priority level;

receiving a first client status identifier from the first client device, wherein the first client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers; [[and]]

receiving a second client status identifier from the second client device, wherein the second client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating a first client view with the first client status identifier and a second client view with the second client status identifier;

determining accurate presence information for the user comprising determining whether the first client status identifier or the second client status identifier has a higher priority level ~~a first relative priority level for the first client status identifier~~ based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers, wherein a client status identifier having a higher priority level indicates the accurate presence information for the user;

~~determining a second relative priority level for the second client status identifier based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers;~~

~~prioritizing the first client status identifier and the second client status identifier based on the first relative priority level and the second relative priority level to determine a higher client status identifier;~~

populating a [[first]] master view with the accurate presence information ~~higher client status identifier, wherein the higher client status identifier is a first master status identifier, and wherein the first master view indicates accurate presence information for the user~~; and

updating the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information.

50. (Currently Amended) The computer system of claim 49, further comprising:

receiving an updated client status identifier from the first client device, wherein the updated client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the first client view with the updated client status identifier;

determining the accurate presence information for the user comprising determining that the updated client status identifier has the higher priority level than the second client status identifier ~~an updated relative priority level for the updated client status identifier~~ based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers;

~~determining a first master relative priority level for the first master status identifier based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers;~~

~~prioritizing the updated client status identifier and the first master status identifier based on the updated relative priority level and the first master relative priority level;~~

populating ~~a second~~ the master view with the updated client status identifier ~~when the updated client status identifier has a higher priority level than the first master status identifier~~, wherein the ~~second~~ master view indicates the accurate presence information for the user; and

updating the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information.

51. (Currently Amended) The computer system of claim 49, further comprising:

receiving an updated client status identifier from the first client device, wherein the updated client status identifier is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the first client view with the updated client status identifier;

determining the accurate presence information for the user comprising determining that the second client status identifier has the higher priority level than the updated client status identifier ~~an updated relative priority level for the updated client status identifier~~ based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers;

~~determining a first master relative priority level for the first master status identifier based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers;~~

~~prioritizing the updated client status identifier and the first master status identifier based on the updated relative priority level and the first master relative priority level; and~~

populating ~~maintaining the first master status identifier in~~ the [[first]] master view ~~when the first master status identifier has a higher priority level than~~ with the ~~updated~~ second client

status identifier, wherein the [[first]] master view indicates the accurate presence information for the user; and

updating the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information.

52. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 49, wherein the plurality of client status identifiers include one or more of: online, offline, away, invisible, busy, back soon, on phone, and at lunch.

53. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 49, wherein the first client view represents presence information of the first client device and the second client view represents presence information of the second client device as detected at an associated client.

54. (Previously Presented) The computer system of claim 49, wherein updating the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information further comprises publishing the accurate presence information to subscribers.

55. (Currently Amended) The computer system of claim 49, further comprising:

receiving the first client status identifier of "online" from the first client device, wherein the first client status identifier of "online" is one of the plurality of client status identifiers; [[and]]

receiving the second client status identifier of "online" from the second client device, wherein the second client status identifier of "online" is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the first client view with "online" and the second client view with "online";

determining the accurate presence information for the user comprising determining that the first ~~customized priority level for~~ client status identifier of "online" ~~of the first client device~~

~~is equivalent to~~ has a same priority level as the second ~~customized priority level for~~ client status identifier of "online" ~~of the second client device~~ based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers, wherein the first client status identifier and the second client status identifier indicate the accurate presence information for the user;

populating the [[first]] master view with "online";

receiving [[the]] an updated client status identifier of "offline" from the first client device, wherein the updated client status identifier of "offline" is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the first client view with "offline";

determining the accurate presence information for the user comprising determining that the ~~first master relative priority level for~~ second client status identifier of "online" ~~of the first master view is~~ has a higher priority level than the updated ~~relative priority level for~~ client status identifier of "offline" ~~of the first client view~~ based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers; and

maintaining "online" in the [[first]] master view, wherein the [[first]] master view indicates the accurate presence information for the user.

56. (Currently Amended) The computer system of claim 49, further comprising:

receiving the first client status identifier of "offline" from the first client device, wherein the first client status identifier of "offline" is one of the plurality of client status identifiers; [[and]]

receiving the second client status identifier of "offline" from the second client device, wherein the second client status identifier of "offline" is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the first client view with "offline" and the second client view with "offline";

determining the accurate presence information for the user comprising determining that the first client status identifier of ~~customized priority level for~~ "offline" ~~of the first client device is equivalent~~ has a same priority level as [[to]] the second client status identifier of ~~customized priority level for~~ "offline" ~~of the second client device~~ based on the prioritized plurality of client

status identifiers, wherein the first client status identifier and the second client status identifier indicate the accurate presence information for the user;

populating the [[first]] master view with "offline";

receiving [[the]] an updated client status identifier of "idle" from the first client device, wherein the updated client status identifier of "idle" is one of the plurality of client status identifiers;

populating the first client view with "idle";

determining the accurate presence information for the user comprising determining that the updated ~~relative priority level for~~ client status identifier of "idle" ~~of the first client view is~~ has a higher priority level than the ~~first master relative priority level for~~ second client status identifier of "offline" ~~of the first master view~~ based on the prioritized plurality of client status identifiers;

reflecting "idle" in the [[second]] master view, wherein the [[second]] master view indicates the accurate presence information for the user; and

updating the presence information of the user with the accurate presence information.